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Re:

Motion Of SBC Communications Inc. For Acceptance Of Late-Filed Comments And Withdrawal Of Erroneously Filed Pleading

In the Matter of Inquiry Concerning Deployment of Advanced Telecommunications Capability To All Americans in a Reasonable and Timely Fashion, and Possible Steps to Accelerate Such Deployment Pursuant to Section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

CC Docket No. 98-146

Dear Ms. Salas:

On March 20, 2000, the Comments of SBC Communications Inc. were timely filed in the above-referenced docket. Unfortunately, a draft of the Comments, instead of the final version of the document, was submitted electronically to the Office of the Secretary. However, the correct version was served on the parties to the proceeding in a timely manner. Attached please find a corrected version of the Comments along with a Motion Of SBC Communications Inc. For Acceptance Of Late-Filed Comments And Withdrawal Of Erroneously Filed Pleading. We respectfully request that the originally filed version of the Comments be withdrawn and that all publicly available electronic and paper copies be replaced with the corrected version attached hereto. We have included a notation on the top of the first page of the new document indicating that it is a corrected version in order to avoid confusion for the public. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely.

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of Advanced Telecommunications)	CC Docket No. 98-146
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MOTION OF SBC COMMUNICATIONS INC. FOR ACCEPTANCE OF LATE-FILED COMMENTS AND WITHDRAWAL OF ERRONEOUSLY FILED PLEADING

Pursuant to Section 1.46(b) of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Rules, ¹ SBC Communications Inc. (SBC) hereby requests permission to submit late-filed Comments in the above-referenced proceeding and requests that the Commission withdraw SBC's erroneously filed Comments. Due to an error by one of SBC's administrative assistants, a draft of the Comments, instead of the final version of the document, was submitted electronically to the Commission. As a result, the Office of the Secretary received the wrong document. However, the correct version of the Comments was served on the parties to the proceeding in a timely manner. Because all parties to the proceeding, except the Office of the Secretary, received the correct version of the Comments in a timely manner, SBC believes that grant of this Motion will not harm the public interest.

¹ "In emergency situations, the Commission will consider a late-filed motion for a brief extension of time related to the duration of the emergency and will consider motions for acceptance of comments, reply comments or other filings made after the filing date." 47 C.F.R. § 1.46(b).

SBC recently relocated its FCC Legal Department to Washington, D.C., and as part of the move, and in response to this erroneous filing, has initiated new, in-house procedures to prevent this from happening again. Accordingly, prior to the submission of any pleading filed before the Commission, an attorney will review the electronic submission to ensure that it and any attachment are properly. SBC apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused and respectfully requests that the filed version of the Comments be withdrawn and that all publicly available electronic and paper copies, including those listed on the Commission's Internet site, be replaced with the corrected version attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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